

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 803 - SB 1255**

March 30, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires any fee collected by the Department of Human Services for the collection of child support payments totaling more than \$500 dollars to be paid equally by the obligor and the recipient of the child support payments.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$89,800/One-Time  
\$18,000/FY10-11 and Subsequent Years**

**Increase Federal Expenditures - \$174,200/One-Time  
\$34,800/FY10-11 and Subsequent Years**

**Assumptions:**

- Currently, a \$25 fee is collected from any non-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) case after \$500 has been collected in a 12-month period.
- The Department of Human Services estimates significant modifications to the Tennessee Child Support Enforcement System (TCSES) resulting in 4,000 man-hours to analyze, design, code and test the system at a rate of \$66 per hour resulting in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$264,000 to complete the changes.
- The Child Support Enforcement program is funded through both state (34%) and federal (66%) funds. Of the \$264,000 in additional one-time expenditures, \$89,760 will be state funds and \$174,240 will be federal funds.
- DHS also estimates an increase in recurring expenditures of \$52,800 for the annual software maintenance costs. The expenditures will begin in FY09-10 and will also receive federal funds. Of the \$52,800 in recurring expenditures, \$17,952 will be state funds and \$34,848 will be federal funds.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James W. White, Executive Director

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